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REMARKS

The Applicants request reconsideration of the rejection.

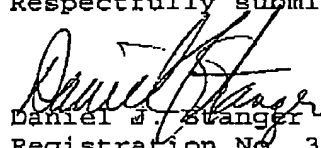
Claims 10-28 are now pending.

Claims 10-28 were rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over Claims 1-26 of U.S. 6,660,438. Without admitting to the propriety of the rejection, the Applicants note that a Statutory Disclaimer under 37 C.F.R. 1.321(a) has been submitted to disclaim Claims 1-26 of U.S. Patent 6,660,438.

Accordingly, the Applicants request withdrawal of the double patenting rejection, and allowance of the claims.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, the Applicants request reconsideration of the rejection.

Respectfully submitted,


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